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STATE OF ILLINOIS  
ILLINOIS COMMERCE COMMISSION

Illinois Commerce Commission  
On Its Own Motion

00-0335

Investigation into the necessity of and, if appropriate,  
The establishment of a universal support fund pursuant  
To Section 13-301(d) of the Public Utilities Act.

Illinois Independent Telephone Association

00-0233

Petition for initiation of an investigation of the  
Necessity of and the establishment of a Universal Service  
Support Fund in accordance with Section 13-301(d) of  
The Public Utilities Act

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PETITION FOR LEAVE TO INTERVENE

Now comes Data Net Systems, L.L.C. ("Data Net Systems") pursuant to the Rules of Practice of the Illinois Commerce Commission, 83 Ill. Admin. Code, Section 200.200, and prays for leave to intervene and to be made a party in the above-captioned proceeding. In support of this Petition, Data Net Systems states the following:

1. Data Net Systems is a telecommunications carrier certified by the Illinois Commerce Commission to provide the resale of exchange and interexchange services in the State of Illinois.
2. It is likely that a ruling by the Commission in this proceeding will affect the rights and interests of Data Net Systems.
3. In order to protect the rights and interests of Data Net Systems, Data Net Systems should be granted leave to intervene as a party to this proceeding.

Wherefore, for the above-stated reasons, Data Net Systems, L.L.C. prays that leave to intervene be granted by this Commission and that Data Net Systems be made a party to the above-captioned proceeding.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Michael W. Ward". The signature is written in dark ink and is positioned above a horizontal line.

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**VERIFICATION**

I, Michael W. Ward, being first duly sworn and on oath, state that I have read the foregoing Petition to Intervene that the contents are true and correct and if called as a witness I could testify competently thereto, except as to those matters which are stated upon information and belief, and as to those matters I believe them to be true.

*Michael W. Ward*

Michael W. Ward

Subscribed to and sworn before me  
this 13<sup>th</sup> day of June, 2000

*Alberta D Seiler*

Notary Public



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**NOTICE OF FILING**

To: Service List Attached

You are hereby notified that I have this 13th day of June, 2000 filed with the Chief Clerk of the Illinois Commerce Commission a Petition for Leave to Intervene of Data Net Systems, L.L.C. by depositing it in the U.S. Mail, first class postage prepaid, on June 13, 2000.



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**CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE**

I hereby certify that copies of the foregoing Petition for Leave to Intervene of Data Net Systems, L.L.C. were served upon the parties on the attached service list by depositing same in the U.S. Mail, first class postage prepaid, on June 13, 2000.



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Michael W. Ward  
Attorney